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**The Encyclopedia of United States Supreme Court Reports**, being a Complete Encyclopedia of all the Case Law of the Federal Supreme Court up to and including Volume 206 of the United States Supreme Court Reports (Book 51, Lawyers' Edition). Under the editorial supervision of Thomas Johnson Michie. Volume 11. The Michie Company, Law Publishers, Charlottesville, Va., 1910. Price \$6.00.

With the present volume this work is completed in accordance with the original plan, and an examination of the finished work convinces one that a service hard to be over-estimated has been done to the profession. The whole body of the law, as laid down by the Supreme Court of the United States, is put in condensed, convenient and available shape. One is struck with the far-reaching extent of the decisions of this great tribunal. There is scarcely a legal question of any importance which has not at some time been touched upon by the Court, and to be able therefore to find with celerity its opinion upon any given question is of the greatest value alike to the student and the practitioner. To those who possess the reports these volumes afford a ready reference, not merely to the cases, but to the condensed law given in those cases; they are therefore not only time savers, but the readiest help for quotation, as well as citation. To those who do not own the Reports, and especially to those who have no access to them this Encyclopedia is simply invaluable, as it gives the very gist of the cases and permits one therefore to use the law as laid down by the Supreme Court with absolute certainty of its being correctly stated. It is to be hoped that as the volumes of these Reports have increased from 206 to 214 an additional volume will soon be added to the Encyclopedia and the work continued at stated intervals.

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**American and English Annotated Cases:** Containing the important cases selected from the current American, Canadian and English Reports; thoroughly annotated. Edited by William M. McKinney, David S. Garland and H. Noyes Greene. Volume 17. Edward Thompson Company. Northport, L. I., N. Y., 1911. Price \$5.00.

We find each volume of these Reports of increasing interest and the notes of growing excellency and value. The note to *St. Louis, etc., R. R. v. Raines* on page 4 is a most complete and satisfactory treatise upon that vexed question which arises in almost every case during the process of cross-examination; "Is cross-examination